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Appl. No.: 09/987,848  
Amendment dated October 27, 2005  
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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re the Application of (first named inventor):

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**AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed June 30, 2005, please amend the instant  
application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the Listing of Claims, which begins on page 2 of  
this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.

The shortened statutory three-month period for reply expired on September 30, 2005.  
Applicant hereby petitions for a one month extension of time to October 30, 2005, and authorizes  
the Office to charge our Deposit Account No. 19-0733 accordingly.

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### CONCLUSION

All rejections having been addressed, Applicant respectfully submits that the instant application is in condition for allowance, and respectfully solicits prompt notification of the same. However, if for any reason the Examiner believes the application is not in condition for allowance or there are any questions, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned at (202) 824-3153.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dated this 27 day of October, 2005

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